



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
RODD, et al. : Art Unit: TBD  
Serial No: 10/565,734 :  
Filed: January 24, 2006 :  
For: CANNULA/CATHETER INTRODUCER WITH RETRACTABLE NEEDLE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 27, 2006

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks** are included following the amendments